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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph 0007 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--[0007] A communications station in accordance with the present invention includes a plurality of variable gain amplifiers for amplifying respective input signals to provide intermediate signals; a plurality of high gain amplifiers for amplifying the intermediate signals from the variable gain amplifiers to provide output signals; a plurality of transmitting antennae for transmitting the output signals from the high gain amplifiers to a plurality of receiving stations; a plurality of monitoring power supplies for providing voltages to the high gain amplifiers and for monitoring the current in each of the high gain amplifiers, permitting determination of the power provided to the output signals by the high gain